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'Don't let lane become rat run'



Concerned: Dennis Backler is objecting to the proposal to move Haverhill's market into the High Street – which would open up Quakers Lane to more traffic. Picture: Warren Gunn 610370.

A CONCERNED resident believes pedestrians will be in danger and a "rat run" created if the lane where he lives is opened up to more traffic.

Dennis Backler, 66, is objecting to plans to shift Haverhill's Friday market into the High Street – a move which would mean closing off the top part of the High Street to traffic between 10am and 4pm, Monday to Saturday.

As a result, traffic from the first section of the High Street would have to leave via Quakers Lane, currently a narrow, rutted path.

Mr Backler, who has lived in his Quaker Garden home since childhood, has spoken out against the traffic order proposed to allow one-way traffic, fearing it will create a dangerous rat run.

He says all delivery vehicles, including fuel deliveries, for himself and his

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neighbours – as well as dray lorries going to the nearby Ex-Servicemen's Club, postal vans, taxis, Gurteens visitors and Blue Badge holders – would have to exit at the top end of Quakers Lane.

He also pointed out that there is no path and not enough room for a car to pass a wheelchair or a pushchair. He cited the case of a nearby family, where two daughters push their elderly, wheelchair-bound mother in to town in a large wheelchair, which is so heavy they are both needed to push it.

He also believes a child walking with a parent would be in danger if a car suddenly appeared in the lane.

He said: "Since the council filled in the potholes at the end of Quakers Lane, more traffic is taking this route, especially taxis using it as a short cut.

"Once the caged wall is removed to create a new access route, what is to stop drivers using this route as a rat run? I feel pretty sure

that some mad drivers will.

"Regular pedestrians using the lane will have to be very alert.

"From October 27-30, I counted the number of pedestrians using Quakers Lane over a total of six hours at various times between 10am and 4pm. The throughput of people averaged 120 per hour.

"Increasing traffic volume on a road shared by pedestrians will make the road more dangerous for pedestrians, not less.

"In my humble opinion, the proposed change would be reckless because there is insufficient space for pedestrians and vehicles to share access on Quakers Lane."

Patsy Dell, of St Edmundsbury Borough Council, said Suffolk County Council would be seeking new traffic orders to make the change in the New Year and that objections would be considered.

She said: "We are not thinking of allowing loads more traffic in Quakers Lane, it would be restricted access for deliveries and emergency vehicles, not for everyone."

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Lord sings town's praises, and hints at Royal visit too

A ROYAL visit to Haverhill could be on the cards following a visit to the town by the Queen's representative, the Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk, Lord Tollemache.

Sarah Howard, chairman of Haverhill Chamber of Commerce, took Lord Tollemache, who was appointed by the Queen in 2003, on a tour of the town on Tuesday. They visited Castle Manor Business and Enterprise College, where Young Chamber members from both Castle Manor and Samuel Ward Arts and Technology College, led a class for younger students from Castle Hill Middle School.

The tour continued to Mansol Preforms, which sells its specialised glass products to customers around the world, including China and India, and won both the Business of the Year and the export award at the 2008 Business Awards. It continued to Taylor's Foundry, a traditional casting manufacturer with a long history in Haverhill, and Delstar Engineering, which creates stage settings for major West Ends shows.

After a lunch reception at Haverhill Leisure Centre, the tour continued to Printwise and Genzyme in the afternoon.

Lord Tollemache asked to visit Haverhill after reading a letter written by Sarah Howard, opposing Boundary

Commission proposals for one authority to represent the whole of Suffolk.

Lord Tollemache said it had been an "eye-opening" visit, and he was very impressed with the diversity and innovation on show.

He said: "Haverhill was a blank on the map for me, so I decided to do something about it. I did not realise what sort of innovation and manufacturing goes on here. It must be unique within Suffolk, if not the whole region, to have so many innovative companies within a small area.

"Perhaps there are ways in which I can help directly to give Haverhill a higher profile. For special anniversaries and events it is possible to get a member of the Royal Family to come to the town. What I have seen is that Haverhill is obviously a great town."

Ms Howard said: "Haverhill's recent success in enhancing our retail offer is only the beginning – we cannot afford to sit back and feel content with what has been achieved so far. There is much more to do and the people of Haverhill deserve so much more.

"We must continue to encourage inward investment and to promote our town, which is why this visit today from Lord Tollemache, who is such a prominent, respected and active figure within Suffolk, is worthy of celebration."



Taking a tour: Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk, Lord Tollemache, with Haverhill Chamber of Commerce chairman Sarah Howard.
Picture: Duncan Lamont 611445.

Big plans for village home

PLANS for extensions and alterations to a home at Hundon have been submitted to St Edmundsbury Borough Council.

The plans for Whitethorns, Mount Pleasant, include building extensions to the side and rear elevations, changing the use of a garage to habitable accommodation, creating rooms in the attic and a dormer extension, balconies, a detached double car port/studio with external staircase and adding solar heating panels.

Car's plates go missing

BOTH number plates have been stolen from a car parked outside lock-up garages.

The silver-coloured Vauxhall Astra was outside the garages at Westward Deals, Kedington between 5.50pm last Wednesday and the same time the following day.

Anyone with information should call Pc Patricia on (01284) 774100.

Thieves' raid on petrol tank

A LARGE quantity of petrol and diesel was stolen from underground tanks at the petrol station at Bury Road, Stradishall, between 9.30pm last Wednesday and 4am the following day, after the tank lid locks were forced.

Call the Crime Investigation Bureau on (01473) 613500 with any information.

Building home to be delayed

A BID for a three-year extension of plans to start work on a house in Withersfield has been submitted to St Edmundsbury Borough Council.

The plans also include alterations to an existing access at land adjacent to Melbourne House, Melbourne Bridge.

Call-out to shed blaze

FIREFIGHTERS were called to a shed fire. The incident in Vange Place, Haverhill, also involved five metres of fencing. One fire crew from Haverhill was called to the scene at 11.51pm on Tuesday.

Sentence cut for takeaway robber

BY JO DEEKS

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A KNIFE-WIELDING thug who admitted a late-night raid on a local takeaway has had his jail term slashed by top judges in London.

Michael Dare, 24, of Shepherds Court, Haverhill, was jailed for at least three years after admitting robbery at Ipswich Crown Court in March.

But the long-time heroin and crack cocaine user saw his minimum term cut to two-and-a-half years by Lord Justice Goldring, Mrs Justice Dobbs and Judge Peter Jacobs at the Court of Appeal.

Mrs Justice Dobbs said that, despite the seriousness of the robbery and Dare's record of trouble with the police, the three-year minimum was too long.

Dare, who began using drugs as a teenager, used a knife to intimidate staff in the Domino's Pizza in Haverhill, close to mid-

night on December 28 last year.

The shop had been manned by a manager and three members of staff, two of them under 18, when he covered his face with a scarf and produced the blade.

Two of the staff ran away, while a third pressed a panic alarm before escaping himself. The manager was left stranded in a back room with the evening's takings.

Fearing for the safety of his employees, he opened the door and allowed Dare to take around £640 in cash, which was never recovered.

At one point, Dare, who was also wearing a hooded top, allowed his disguise to slip, enabling the manager to pick him out in an identification parade later.

At the time, Dare already had a long list of convictions to his name,

mostly for theft and driving offences, but also arson, common assault and carrying a bladed article.

A pre-sentence report said he had shown remorse, but expressed concern that he could turn violent if disturbed in the course of any future offence.

Sentencing him, the Crown Court judge, Judge John Holt, said he considered Dare posed a risk of harm to the public and ordered that he serve at least three years before applying for parole.

Giving the court's judgment, Mr Justice Dobbs said Judge Holt had been right to impose the open-ended imprisonment for public protection sentence, but had given him too long a minimum term.

The appeal decision means Dare will have to serve two-and-a-half years before applying for release and will then only be freed if it is considered that he is safe.

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Festival sounds good to young

YOUNG musicians are tuning up to take part in the first ever Haverhill Music Festival tomorrow.

The event is part of Haverhill Performing Arts Festival, which was launched last year. It was formed in partnership with Haverhill Arts Centre and is open to all amateur performers from across the region.

The aim is to enhance the opportunities available to the town's young musicians and to raise Haverhill's profile.

The music festival – made possible by funding from West Suffolk Local Strategic Partnership – Haverhill Town Council, Tesco and others – is open to those aged up to 18 and will take place at the arts centre from 9.30am to 7.30pm.

The music sections represented are brass solos, woodwind duets and ensembles, choirs, string solos, and piano and vocal solos.

Tickets will be on sale on the day only at £2 per session.

The Speech and Drama Festival will take place at the arts centre from Friday, November 27 to Sunday, November 29 from 9.30am to 7.30pm (5.30pm on the Sunday). Tickets will be on sale on the day at £2 per session.

Viv Taite, festival co-ordinator, said: "Taking part in the festival offers entrants an opportunity to come together to perform and compete in front of an audience of their peers and the general public, with the encouragement and advice of an independent, professional adjudicator. It will be a fantastic atmosphere and we look forward to welcoming as many people as possible."

All entrants receive a certificate and a written adjudication and there is a large selection of cups and trophies.

To find out more contact Viv Taite on (01440) 714648.



In the garden: pupils help plant the rowan sapling in the school's wildlife area.

Picture: Roger Adams 609423.

Green pupils go wild at special tree planting day

GREEN-FINGERED pupils at a primary school put on their wellies to help plant a new tree in their grounds last week.

Year 3 children from Kedington Primary School's Leopards group planted a

rowan tree in their wildlife area.

It had been given to the school by BBC Breathing Places, which has supplied similar trees to schools throughout the country for Tree Planting Day.

More than 10,000 schools signed up to the BBC campaign and it was hoped that many of these would also be planting the trees in their school grounds.

Darren Woodward, head teacher, said the Leopards

planted the tree in the school's wildlife area, where 30 saplings and 60 hedging plants – planted by children during the previous 18 months – are already flourishing.

On Saturday, the school

held a family gardening morning to plant 30 hedging plants given to the school by the Woodland Trust, move some raised beds, construct a leaf cage and carry out various other tasks in the wildlife area.

Two arrests as police target drug criminals

DRUGS with a street value of more than £700,000 were seized in a week-long police clamp-down which also led to the arrest of 60 people.

Two men were arrested in Haverhill as part of the Suffolk-wide Operation Dace.

A 19-year-old man from Haverhill was given a caution for possession of ketamine after being stopped and searched in School Lane, in Haverhill, on Saturday.

A 29-year-old man was given a caution for possession of cannabis, possession of amphetamines and possession of an offensive weapon after officers stopped and searched him and a car on Princess Way, Haverhill, on the same day.

Across the county police with search warrants raided cannabis farms set up in houses and smaller drug producing operations.

Detective Chief Inspector Bernie Morgan said: "Suffolk Constabulary is dedicated to targeting drug dealing, drug misuse and associated crime."

"This operation sought to tackle two of our main priorities – tackling the Class A drugs markets and also to create a safer night time economy for all.

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"It has been a real success and I believe it has had a positive impact.

"However, we will not be complacent. Local agencies are working effectively together to tackle and reduce drug-related crime in communities county-wide and that work is ongoing – 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"My message is clear: we will continue to disrupt drug use and dealing in Suffolk and prosecutions will be robustly pursued. We will also work to ensure community concerns regarding drugs are reported and acted upon.

"It is vital that our residents work with us and report any suspicious activity in their areas."

Anyone with information about drug-related activities should call Suffolk police (01473) 613500 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Anyone wanting help with drug or alcohol problems, for themselves a friend or relative, should call the Suffolk Drug and Alcohol Action Team (DAAT) helpline on (01473) 299640 between 9am and 6pm, Monday to Friday.

Hallelujah, it's a Christmas concert

A CHANCE to join a national mass singing of the *Hallelujah Chorus* and enjoy some Christmas music is on offer from a choral group.

At All Saints' Church, Hundon, at 7.30pm on Sunday, December 6, *A Choral Christmas*, a programme of Christmas music, will be performed by Haverhill Choral Society, directed by Jane Wright and accompanied by Nigel Brown on the organ, with additional music from the instruments of a brass quintet. Those attending can be part of the BBC's Sing Hallelujah, which will see choral societies nationally inviting audiences to sing the *Hallelujah Chorus* from Handel's *Messiah* at the same time.

Tickets are £8 and available from choir members in advance or on the door.

Break-in trio take hair products

THIEVES broke into a salon by smashing a window and stealing a quantity of hair products.

The break-in happened at Nethergate Street, Clare, at around 1.20am on Tuesday, when two men were seen climbing into the salon and passing products out to a third male who put them into a maroon car, later seen heading towards the High Street.

The men are described as in their 20s or 30s, of slim build and one was wearing a hat, a hooded top and jeans.

Calls in relation to this incident should be made to Pc Cris Reynolds at Haverhill Police on (01284) 774100 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Police hit streets to meet residents

HAVERHILL Safer Neighbourhood Team (STN) officers will hold a 'Police Street Meet' on Friday, November 27, at Haverhill Arts Centre from 2pm-3pm. Rural South STN officers will be in a mobile police station, on Saturday, November 28, at St Margaret's Place in Stradishall from 10am-11am.



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Two more carers thanks to readers

Twice as many carers are now helping patients in the Haverhill area thanks to the generosity of *Weekly News* readers, who raised a fabulous £40,000 for the St Nicholas Hospice at Home appeal.

The ambitious target for our appeal was reached in March, which helped ensure the successful launch of St Nicholas Hospice Care's community hospice team.

Since then, the hospice has been able to double the number of its nursing assistants – an integral part of the community hospice team – to ensure more patients are able to be cared for in their own homes.

Weekly News readers raised an incredible £40,000 to fund at-home care from St Nicholas Hospice for local patients. JO DEEKS finds out how the money is being spent.

The Hospice at Home appeal was launched in February 2008 and saw the incredible five-figure sum achieved just over a year later, with the launch of the community hospice team in March 2009.

Full-time nursing assistants Irene Clark and Kay Murrow are now supported by Martin Warwick and Linda Arnold, who have been seconded to the role.

The charity has paid tribute to the readers of the *Haverhill Weekly News* and spoken of the importance of the nursing assistants, who work

alongside the clinical nurse specialists to provide valuable care to terminally ill patients and respite to family members and other carers.

The campaign was supported by a host of fundraising events, included pupils at Samuel Ward Upper School selling calendars; business awards held by Haverhill Chamber of Commerce and even a sell-out premiere screening of the hit film, *Marley & Me* at the town's Cineworld.

Ian Norris, community fundraiser for the hospice



Caring: nursing assistants Kay Murrow (left) and Irene Clark (right), with clinical nurse specialist Caroline Wade.

area, said: "The campaign was immensely successful and we were touched and overwhelmed by the generosity of the readers of the *Haverhill Weekly News*."

"So many people organised and took part in all manner of fundraising events to ensure the appeal was a fantastic success and we would like to thank everyone who made a real difference."

Caroline Wade, the hospice's clinical nurse

specialist for the Haverhill area, works alongside the team of four nursing assistants who cover the whole of west Suffolk.

Caroline said: "The nursing assistants play such a valued and crucial role in supporting the community hospice team."

"They offer respite to family members and carers by playing main carer for a few hours at a time, predominantly out of hours."

"They allow family

members or carers to have some rest, which can often reduce the risk of patients inappropriately being admitted to hospital."

"It can often be daunting for relatives to hand over this level of care, even for a short time, but the nursing assistants provide reassurance as well as support."

The nursing assistants, who all have palliative care experience, work alongside GPs, district

nurses and other healthcare professionals.

Caroline added: "The fact we now have four dedicated nursing assistants means we can offer patients and family members more options and more choice regarding end of life care."

"We find that more patients want to be cared for in their home setting and thanks in part to the success of the appeal, we are now able to make this wish come true."

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Delicious Italian food proves tempting for shoppers

OLIVES, cheeses, bread and cakes with a distinctly Italian flavour tempted shoppers at Haverhill this weekend.

A two-day authentic Italian market opened for business on Friday, with Queen Street hosting 18 colourful stalls selling high quality traditional Italian food imported directly from the producers.

The feast of food on offer included Italian cheeses and specially cured meats, a selection of the classic Italian nougat 'Cremona Torrone', cakes, sweets and a variety of biscuits.

Olives featured in many

forms, including oil, freshly baked in bread, stirred into pasta and ante pasta.

The Italian market complements the traditional produce market held every week on Friday and Saturday in Market Square. This market has a strong tradition in the town and is at its busiest at this time of year, with the wide range of autumn produce.

Extra parking spaces in town, including three hours' free parking at the new Tesco, mean visitors can spend a little longer browsing the Queen Street shops and stalls.



Tasty: Mayor of St Edmundsbury Cllr Pat Warby and her consort and husband, Cllr Frank Warby, buy some Italian bread from trader Germano Caddeo.

Picture: Warren Gunn 610549.

Council boss to outline town plan

PLANS for more new development in Haverhill will be outlined by Geoff Rivers, chief executive of St Edmundsbury Borough Council when he attends Haverhill Chamber of Commerce's meeting on Tuesday.

Mr Rivers will present a review of developments in Haverhill and those planned for the future at the free networking at Days Inn, Phoenix Road, Haverhill, from 6pm to 9pm.

Improvements to the town in the last 12 months include the Queen Street re-development, the opening of a Tesco supermarket and the refurbishment of Haverhill Leisure Centre with Abbeycroft Leisure.

Mr Rivers will outline plans for Haverhill Business Park and the North West Haverhill development.

He said: "There have been enormous developments in the town in

the last 12 months which have brought great benefits for the people and businesses of Haverhill.

"One of our ambitions for the future is to help those young people who are not in employment, education or training and I will be outlining some of the opportunities available for the community to work together to tackle this."

The event will also offer an opportunity to find out more about the Chamber of Commerce.

Sarah Howard, chairman of the chamber, said: "This will give businesses a unique chance to ask questions of the chief executive about issues that directly affect them."

To book a place, email kateanstee@haverhillchamber.co.uk, or telephone (01799) 668132.

The event is free for members and non-members.

Smart new look for street is unveiled

BY JO DEEKS

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A NEWLY-refurbished street was the scene of a slightly-damp official opening ceremony at 10am on Friday, but local traders, shoppers and dignitaries found plenty to smile about.

The unveiling of a plaque to celebrate the completion of the £400,000 Queen Street enhancement scheme in Haverhill coincided with the start of a two-day Italian market.

The scheme has been funded by St Edmundsbury Borough Council, Suffolk County Council and Tesco, which has recently opened a new store at the nearby former station yard site.

Cllr John Griffiths, leader of St Edmundsbury Borough Council, Cllr Guy McGregor, executive member for Suffolk County Council and Nick Gellatly, from Tesco, unveiled the plaque, watched by MP Richard Spring, Town Mayor Cllr Elaine McManus and Borough Mayor Cllr Pat Warby.

Cllr Griffiths said: "It may be Friday the 13th, it may be raining, but it is still a fantastic day for Haverhill."

"What we are seeing is part of the continuing transformation of the fastest-growing town in Suffolk."



Unveiled: John Griffiths, of the borough council, Nick Gellatly, Tesco corporate affairs manager, and Guy McGregor. Below, the plaque. Picture: Warren Gunn 610377/78.

Mr Gellatly said the rejuvenation of the town was not just about buildings, but how the town felt. He said: "It seems to me to be a place where people work together and we at Tesco are delighted to be part of the transformation."

The environmental enhancements, designed following wide-reaching consultation, include attractive new paving and street surfaces, street furniture, lighting and the creation of an informal meeting place with seating and trees. Several pieces of art have been commissioned locally and will be added in the New Year.

A parallel scheme, offering Queen Street traders help to improve their shop fronts, has also been well supported. Eleven properties have been put forward for grants of between 70 and 90 per cent of eligible works up to a limit of £10,000 total cost.

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Bus shelters are a disgrace

Sir, I am so sad to read the report about the bus shelter complaints in your paper (New move to end bus station row – *Weekly News*, November 5)

The issue of the bus shelters has not been addressed. All very well to suggest that the bus drivers are not aware of putting down and picking up passengers, but a council member should be aware that bus drivers have been transporting people from Haverhill and surrounding villages for many years and probably do know how to perform this movement of their vehicles.

It will be a help to have proper timetable inserts, but over and way beyond that is the simple matter of the shelters themselves.

Each shelter measures 10 feet with two open spaces at either end for the passage of people to and from the buses. The width of these spaces is three feet. There are six inches of space at the bottom of the shelters open to the air and considerable draught in the winter months, and rain will be blown through the shelter too. Inside the shelters, there is a rail measuring five curved inches to lean against in lieu of seats.

The space from the roadside to the forward opening to board the bus is 19 inches, so that along the length of bus, there is no space for a hurried passenger to board. There is sufficient space for two people to enter the bus, although the bus itself has a doorway of 47 inches. So there is no parity between the bus and the shelter entrance to the bus. Although there are now six bus shelters, there are only two wooden benches with backs before bus shelter number one, and two backless metal benches between shelters four and five.

The appearance of the shelters leave much to be desired and in no way enhance the pedestrian portion of the town nearest to it. The car park behind the shelters is better proportioned, easier of access and with properly-laid brick walkways to indicate pedestrian crossing.

Generally, the new bus shelters are a great disappointment to Haverhill, particularly as they are in need of replacement and rather uncomfortable, but that is another matter.

The new bus shelters are a disgrace to the town. A new set of designs is urgently required, buildings that will provide what their name says, shelter.

Lynne Brixius
Camps Road
Haverhill

MEMORIES



■ THIS week's picture, taken from our archives, shows a local petrol station attendant.

Do you recognise him? Do you know where and when it was taken?

Send your answers to: Memories, Haverhill Weekly News, 4 Queen Street, Haverhill, CB9 9EF by Tuesday morning, or email editorial@haverhillweeklynews.co.uk

Picture: 389847.



Last week's Memories photograph, from our archives, showed a charity car wash by Haverhill ATC members. It was taken in December, 1989.

Bernard Winney shared his memories of a picture we published on November 5 showing celebrations after

Haverhill beat Chatteris in the Cambs Invitation Cup Final, taken in May, 1965.

He said those pictured, including himself, were Brian Siddal, Ronnie Abbott, Len Garret, Phil Hart, Ken Richardson and Reg Hender.

Picture: 607685.

Shelters not fit for purpose

Sir, Last week's letters about the bus shelters from Elliot Page and Richard Pannel both made very valid points.

What I can't understand is why Suffolk County Council think it was right not to change the station after making a huge mistake, the cost of which keeps changing.

So it is safe and accessible to all?

I have had dealings with the Disability Rights Commission, which is now under the Equality Human Rights Commission. It gives many examples of discrimination against the disabled, one being poor access to stations and how service providers must make reasonable

adjustments.

Failure to do so is unlawful and they could face charges of discrimination as service providers are legally obliged to reconsider, when putting the disabled users at a disadvantage with shelters/huts far too small for some to manoeuvre in and lack of seating.

I believe that these shelters were meant for roadside use and not suitable for a station where many

more passengers gather.

As for "Lowestoft are happy with their's" comment, are they really? What survey has been done on this? Also, Sudbury is next in line for a new station – so beware Sudbury, you could be getting some secondhand black boxes

Corinne Abbott
Ickleton Place
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Umbrella licence set to help local groups host events

SMALLER clubs and organisations will be helped to host events in Haverhill after the town council applied for an entertainment licence.

In the past, organisations wanting to hold an event had to pay a fee to licence it and this cost, on top of other

expenses, often made it prohibitive.

But thanks to help from the West Suffolk Local Strategic Partnership, the town council has now bought an "umbrella licence" which covers all events held in the town centre, recreation ground and

town park. Gordon Mussett, town clerk, said: "We thought that we could help support other organisations by letting them run their events under the auspices of a general licence held by the council.

"This will save them money and we can also provide

technical and risk assessment advice so that their events can run safely."

Events that may be helped by the new licence include competitions such as the annual majorettes tournament, held on the recreation ground.

John Griffiths, chair of the West Suffolk LSP, says: "We are delighted to work with the council on this to allow more small groups and organisations the opportunity to showcase what they do, raise funds and attract more people to the town."

Beat downturn with advice from experts

BUSINESS ratepayers can get tips on how to rise out of recession at a meeting in Haverhill next week.

The annual consultation meeting for Haverhill businesses, hosted by St Edmundsbury Borough Council, will be held at 6pm on Thursday, November 26 at Genzyme, in Rookwood Way.

It will be chaired by Cllr Nigel Aitkens, the council's cabinet member for economy and asset management.

Cllr Aitkens said: "This meeting

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is an opportunity for an exchange of views. We listen to what the business community has to tell us and we invite speakers who can let businesses know about future developments in Haverhill and what help is available for them in these difficult times."

The speakers include: Martin Garratt, director of the Greater Cambridge Partnership on the relationship shared by Haverhill

and Cambridge; Marcia Whitehead, partner at property company Bidwells on the development of north-west Haverhill; Trevor Conway, business finance manager at East of England Development Agency, on business finance from EEDA; and Geoff Rivers, chief executive at St Edmundsbury Borough Council, on the council's plans for the coming year.

Attendance is free, but places must be booked by contacting economic development services on (01284) 757683 or economic.development@stedsbcc.gov.uk



Colourful: from left, Angela Rankin, Liz Wilkins, Maggie Pilling, Debbie Copsey and Carole Weston. Picture: Keith Jones 608183.

Staff go pink for awareness day

MEALS were served up at a middle school by staff who wore bras over their pink T-shirts as they did their bit for Wear It Pink day.

Teaching and kitchen staff at Clare Middle School decided to wear pink for the breast cancer awareness day and special chocolate buns with pink ribbons were also baked.

Around £50 was raised and school secretary Sherry Wilson said it was a cause staff at the school particularly liked to support as some staff members and members of their families had suffered from the disease.

Road closed after woman hit by car

A FEMALE pedestrian was taken to hospital after being involved in a collision with a car on Monday afternoon.

The collision happened at Market Hill, Clare, where police were called at 3.15pm to reports that a woman had been involved in a collision with a Ford Mondeo.

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Sawtry (Old School Hall)	4 December	10.00am to 11.30am
Manea (Manea Village Hall)	8 December	6.30pm to 8.00pm

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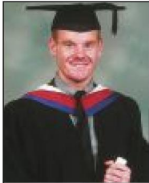


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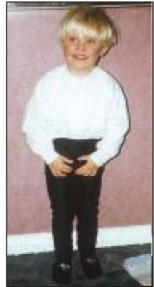
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Deaths

LISHER Rita Lisher, who sadly passed away peacefully at West Suffolk Hospital on Wednesday, 11th November, 2009, aged 71 years. Leaving behind husband Fred, her four children Stephen, Susan, Tony and Patsy, twelve grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Our loss hurts too much, you will never be forgotten. Now in the safe arms of your mum and dad. We love you. Funeral service at West Suffolk Crematorium, on Monday 23rd November, at 1.30pm. All are welcome to attend. Immediate family flowers only, if you wish to make a donation for Macmillan Unit, West Suffolk Hospital, please send c/o H.J. Paintin Ltd, 60 Withersfield Road, Haverhill, Suffolk, CB9 9HE.

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Green-fingered: Front, Ben Pumfrey and Valerie Morton of Haverhill in Bloom. Back, from left, Luke Clark, Claire Bowden, Tim Marks, Jason Sharpe, Caroline Brown. Picture: 609458.

Planting for a bright spring!

HUNDREDS of cowslips and primroses will brighten up the sloping bank next to a new supermarket next spring.

Volunteers, councillors, council staff and staff at the new supermarket rolled their sleeves up to help.

The bulbs were planted on Tuesday November 10, on the steep bank at the new Tesco junction in Haverhill.

Haverhill in Bloom organised the event, attended by Cllr Tim Marks, Ben Pumfrey of Haverhill in Bloom, Valerie Morton, Caroline Brown and St Edmundsbury Borough Council parks service, with help from Tesco and Highways staff.

Local residents and businesses helped to transform the roadside into a spring meadow by planting it with hundreds of cowslips and primroses.

Haverhill in Bloom, an active and creative community organisation which is now five years old, is responsible for much of the greenery around the town, providing town centre baskets, the annual open gardens, the business in

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bloom competition and work with schools.

Valerie Morton, treasurer of Haverhill in Bloom, said: "The changes in the town can be complemented by plantings and we welcome new members with ideas or who can help with projects.

"We have just finished planting 16,000 spring bulbs, with the help of a mechanical planter and borough council staff, around the Gateway roundabout and other locations.

"We are very grateful to everyone who supports the cause through the regular fundraising gardeners markets we hold."

The project is supported by Haverhill Town Council, Suffolk County Council, St Edmundsbury Borough Council and others.

Further information is available from Valerie Morton, of Haverhill in Bloom, on (01440) 709099.

New scheme to prevent purse thefts

A NEW alarm system to combat purse thefts has been launched.

Hundreds of alarms are due to be handed out to shoppers at Bury St Edmunds in a scheme backed by St Edmundsbury Borough Council and

Suffolk county councillor Trevor Beckwith.

The alarm will be triggered if someone tries to remove a purse from a bag where it is attached with a pin.

The move is intended to combat a rise in purse

thefts in which mainly elderly women have been the victims.

At this stage the alarms are only available in Bury St Edmunds, but purse thefts have been a continuing problem in other nearby towns including Haverhill.

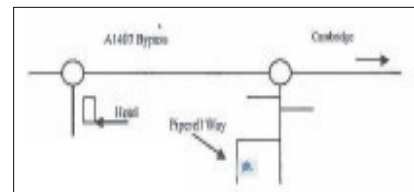
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Clare prepares to light up the town

BUSINESSES in Clare are pulling out all the stops this year to light up their town with festive cheer.

Clare Business Association, with the help of Clare Parish Council, will be decorating the town with lights and a Christmas tree on the Market Hill, with the switching-on event for the Christmas lights taking place on Friday.

A parade of children carrying glow sticks will leave from outside the church on the High Street at 5.45pm. Families are encouraged to join in and there will be glow sticks for the children who join in the parade.

The parade will be led by a piper to the Market Hill, where

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the lights will be switched on by the Mayor of St Edmundsbury at 6pm.

To make the event fun for everyone, there will be children's fairground rides and stalls, children's entertainment, music, and refreshments such as hot dogs, mince pies and mulled wine.

Members of the Clare Business Association will also decorate their windows for Christmas and are running a competition to see which is the best, with a Christmas hamper as the prize.

Entry forms will be available to buy for £1 from all participating

shops, with all entries entered into a prize draw which will be drawn on the night. Full details will be advertised in shop windows around the town and on the Clare UK website nearer the time.

Anyone who would like to sponsor the lights and receive a sponsorship logo to display in their window should visit David Sleath in Hudgies Hardware Store.

Donation pots will also be available in some of the town's shops. If you enjoy the lights, please help to continue the tradition.

For the first time this year, Clare will also be hosting a late night Christmas Shopping Evening, on Thursday December 3, when shops will stay open until 8pm.

Builders' containers are broken into

TWO containers being used by builders have been broken into, with tools and copper piping stolen from one.

Police are linking the two incidents, the first at Horace Eves Close, Haverhill, between 4.15pm

on Friday and 7.30am on Monday.

Offenders broke into a container on the building site and stole tools and copper piping.

Calls in relation to this incident should be made to Pc Christopher Jenn-

ings at Haverhill Police on (01284) 774100 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

At a car park in nearby Withersfield Road, Haverhill, between 4pm on Friday and 8.30am on Monday, a container in a

car park was broken into by damaging the door, but nothing was stolen.

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Christmas gift cash boosts hospice funds

SOME early Christmas gifts were snapped up by visitors to an annual bazaar.

The event, held at the Methodist Church hall in Camps Road, Haverhill, earlier this month, did

some brisk trade and raised just over £200, which will go into the general funds of the St Nicholas Hospice at Bury St Edmunds, which cares for patients from across west Suffolk.

On sale were many handmade items, cakes, photographs and Christmas cards, along with some tasty refreshments.

Ian Norris, community fundraiser for the hospice, said: "It was lovely to see

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Pupils from Kedington Primary School met up with teachers and parents at the village's Community Centre in Arms Lane to join a 'walking bus' accompanied walk to the school in Church Walk.

Schools around Suffolk have been encouraged to start the organised walks to school to help keep pupils fit and reduce the carbon footprint and traffic safety issues raised by car journeys.

Watch out for fake £20 notes

BY JO DEEKS

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SUFFOLK police are urging traders to be vigilant after a number of counterfeit £20 notes were passed as payment to a company in Bury St Edmunds over the past month.

The Counterfeit Currency Unit at the Serious and Organised Crime Agency said: "Some counterfeit notes are quite good but can be easily identified as fakes when compared alongside a note known to be genuine."

Checks that people can make for £20 notes include the watermark – in addition to the Queen's portrait, there should be a £20 symbol, which should contrast with the Queen's head (portrait dark and £20 light). The watermark can be found on the left side of the note.

Ensure there is raised printing, in particular the words 'Bank of England' across the top of the note and to the right of the Queen's portrait, where there should be a series of 20s. The foil should be holographic – changing colour and image when you tilt it. Under ultraviolet light, a red and yellow 20 should be visible beneath the words Bank of England. The texture of a counterfeit note will often feel different from a genuine one.

More information on checking for counterfeit currency is available: from the Bank of England at www.bankofengland.co.uk/banknote/current/index.htm

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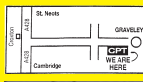
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Champions all: some of the team from Suffolk Housing Society who took part in the Ickworth Park 10K challenge

Housing team raise £3,000 for cancer cause

A TEAM from a housing group who set out to raise £500 for a cancer charity by completing a gruelling sponsored run ended up with almost £3,000!

The 16-strong team of 14 staff members from Suffolk Housing Society and two contractors handed vital charity Cancer Research UK the significant cash boost after donning their tracksuits and trainers to complete the 10K charity challenge at Ickworth Park, in Horringer, on October 4.

Their combined efforts raised a total of £2,907 for Cancer Research UK – smashing through their original target of £500.

The team decided to enter the event after 18-year-old trainee housing officer Darryl Durno took inspiration from watching friends take part in the 5K Race for Life earlier this year.

He then began approaching colleagues to see if they would join him – and more than half of the society's staff pledged to take up the challenge as a result.

Darryl said: "We had a really good day and the atmosphere was fantastic. The race itself got harder towards the end, as it was all uphill, but it was well worth the effort and really nice to do something for charity as a team."

"I'm now quite interested in running a half-marathon, but am

not sure how many of my colleagues I'll persuade to join me. Instead, I might just concentrate on encouraging them to run the 10K again next year."

Steve Clarke, chief executive of Suffolk Housing Society, said: "We are delighted that we were able to raise so much for Cancer Research UK, which carries out vital work and helps thousands of families each year. We would like to thank everyone who sponsored Team SHS."

"Although some of the team found the 10K tough going at times, we are all really pleased that we completed it as we were determined to raise as much as

we possibly could."

Area event manager Lucy Hynes, from Cancer Research UK, said: "We are really grateful to staff at Suffolk Housing Society who supported Cancer Research UK's Run 10K event at Ickworth House."

"The sponsorship money raised will go towards our research into the causes, prevention, diagnosis and treatment of every type of cancer through the work of more than 4,800 scientists, doctors and nurses."

"It is truly inspiring to know the team at Suffolk Housing Society have come together for one cause – to help beat cancer."

Great new lunch deal at school

A SCHOOL is beating the credit crunch by introducing an innovative new lunch service, providing students with a range of lunches, all priced at just £2.

The Meal Deals at Samuel Ward Arts and Technology College in Haverhill include a daily traditional meal and other daily offerings including pasta dishes, baked potatoes and pizza.

In addition to the main meal, students then select a range of accompaniments and a traditional dessert or drink. The set meal is a move away from all menu items being individually priced.

The benefits of the new service include it being simpler for students and parents to know what is available each day and how much a complete meal will cost.

The new service is also quicker, as less time is spent at

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the till and lunches are healthier, as students are encouraged to select a well-balanced meal.

In addition to the Meal Deals, students are also able to order made-to-order 'subs', just like those available in the High Street.

Catering manager Steve Smith said: "The new service is really popular, as the students love the choice and appreciate what great value the new deals represent."

The new arrangement is being introduced in secondary schools throughout the county by Suffolk County Council's in-house caterer, Suffolk County Catering.

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Set a scene that's harmonious



THE Christmas get-together is an opportunity for families to catch up, have fun and appreciate each other... or not.

There is something about being with our family that should make us feel loved and cared about. But all too often we go away from festive celebrations feeling aggrieved, frustrated, rejected or depressed, with all our hopes and expectations turned to disappointment.

The same old situations, arguments and criticisms come up, we end up in the same old rows and imagine that other families get on so much better, have a happier time and are pretty much perfect.

But according to Jo Ellen Grzyb, author of *Family Heaven*, *Family Hell*, we don't have to

wait for our father to stop criticising, our mother to stop fussing about our weight, or our siblings to just not come along at all, to have a nice Christmas. To a certain extent, the success of the event can be in our own hands.

She explains: "Big family dramas tend to happen during the really important get-togethers like Christmas as those events represent something larger to do with religion, culture and national tradition.

"It's as though people store their crises so messy stuff seems to emerge tenfold when the festive spirit is supposed to be around."

If you always fall into the same arguments or patterns with your family, why not change that pattern? Nothing changes if nothing changes, Grzyb advises, so do something different – have

Christmas on neutral territory like a hotel, or if you go to your mother's every year, why not invite everyone to your home or share it out amongst siblings? The change of environment can add a different perspective in more ways than one.

TOP TIPS FOR CHRISTMAS HEAVEN

■ See the reality for what it is, not what you hope it is going to be. Try not to let your expectations, good or bad, rule you.

■ Be prepared. Prepare your coping strategies well ahead of time.

■ Make your intentions clear and set boundaries for others. People cannot read your mind – so let them know what your plans are. Be very clear about what you expect from others too.

■ Avoid trying to control the situation.

■ Let other people be as they are (as long as they are not harming you or others).

■ Step outside the arena when things start hotting up – make a cup of tea, go to the toilet. Get out of the line of fire if possible to give yourself a chance to cool off.

■ Know your bottom line – what behaviour you won't tolerate, the shenanigans you won't put up with.

■ Let other people be right. Concede and be gracious.

■ Accept that you may not have the ideal family and try to focus on people's good or caring qualities instead of the negative.

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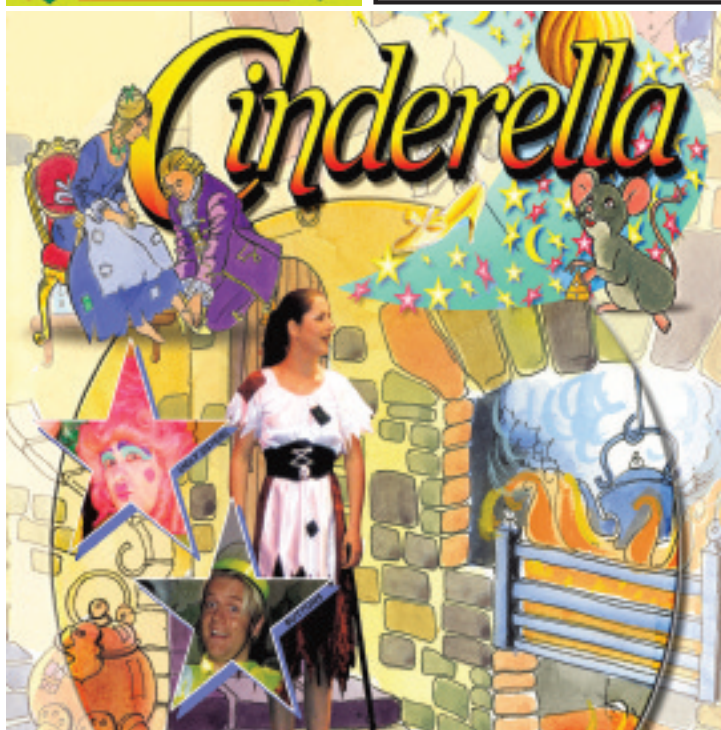
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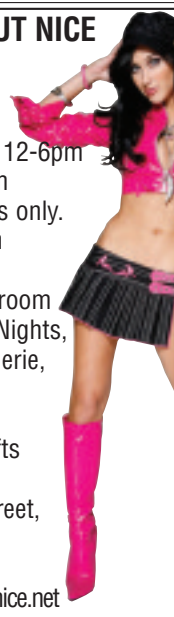
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Studio full of snappy gift ideas

NESTLED at the end of Lower Downs Slade is an exciting and unusual addition to the shops and businesses of Haverhill.

The Gallery, run by David Doherty, is primarily a photography studio but also contains an art gallery and a gift shop featuring a range of imaginative gift ideas.

An enthusiastic photographer, David gave up his day job around three years ago to pursue his hobby – and he hasn't looked back since.

"I think if you come in you'll be quite surprised," says David. "First of all we're a photography studio but we also have an art gallery with an amazing, diverse range of work on show."

In his spacious studio, David offers a range of photography packages for families, groups and individuals looking for a personalised photoshoot or something unusual to give as a Christmas gift.

"One of the big things we've got is the 'Baby Club', where people can pay £25 for four photography sessions. In each one they'll get a free picture and it just charts the

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progress of the child as they grow."

Keen not to leave any member of the family out, David, who owns a cat and a snake himself, also offers a pet portrait package. The gift shop is also stocked with some fantastic humorous gifts for pets.

"We also do weddings, passport photos and makeovers; we have a framing service and a photo restoration service for old photographs, as well as offering a range of photo gifts."

These include everything from mugs to T-shirts, all of which are printed in-house. "We can pretty much put a photograph on anything," he smiles.

In the art gallery upstairs, work from local and national artists is proudly displayed. "There's a wide variety of art here, not just drawings and paintings, but photography, sculpture, jewellery and all sorts. I also encourage students and young artists to show their work here."

Starting in a small, pokey room which served as his studio, office



and workroom, David moved to the huge building at Lower Downs Slade two years ago, which has given him space to expand his business and his ideas.

"I'm so pleased to be doing something I enjoy. I've lived in Haverhill all my life and done a variety of different jobs. Photography was my hobby, and in the last few years I've made it my profession. I've got my wife working here too."

"I appreciate all my customers. Every one who comes in is helping me live my dream. I'm very grateful."

David is currently running a competition for anyone who makes a purchase within the gallery and gift shop will be entered into a draw to win an 'Ice Cube' photo frame – one of The Gallery's best sellers.

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Enjoy the countdown by staying in control

THERE'S just five weeks to go until Christmas so if you want to be super organised then now's the time to start those festive preparations in the home.

Merry Maids has created a five week countdown to ensure you remain stress free when the big day arrives.

This week – five weeks to go
Merry Maids say it's all in the preparation. Begin with a de-clutter and deep-clean, clear away your ornaments, trinkets and photo frames to make way for the Christmas cards and festive

décor. It is likely you will be moving furniture around to fit in the tree, so now's a good time to get behind and under the sofa with a vacuum cleaner.

Clear out any old food from your fridge and freezer to make room for the festive treats you have in store. And while the freezer isn't too full take the opportunity to defrost it.

Four weeks to go
Clean and polish glass and silverware for the Christmas table and any brass candlesticks. Leave them covered with a dry dishcloth to prevent dust build up before the big day.

Dust off the Christmas decorations, check the lights work and give them a clean for extra sparkle before putting them up.

Three weeks to go
Create a great first impression before people even enter your home by cleaning your front door and polishing the brass to a high shine, decorating with a welcoming wreath and cleaning the windows until they gleam.

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Brave Imogen loses her voice, but not her desire to be heard



LYING on the hospital bed, her head still woozy with anaesthetic, Imogen May tried to speak – and nothing happened. Her face felt frozen; she couldn't move a muscle. And she couldn't speak at all.

"It was s***t," says the 26-year-old, with a little shrug. "I still can't speak at all. The only way I can communicate is by writing things down. And that can be really frustrating; I have to admit I've thrown a few pens..."

"But anger? No. I've done angry before and it makes you all dark and sticky inside; I'm not going to let that be a part of me. I've got so much I want to do, so much I want to achieve. And I'm not going to let this get in my way."

For almost a decade, Imogen has been battling a progressive and disabling muscle disease. Triggered by a mystery virus, which hit her in her teens, the condition robbed her first of the ability to walk – and now it's stolen her voice.

"The thing I miss most is talking to people on the

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phone," continues Imogen, from Cottenham. "I used to speak to two or three friends a night, often for hours. Now the phone rarely rings and if it does I hear my voice on the answer phone; I can't bring myself to delete the message but I don't like it there either."

"And I miss the silly little things, things like singing in the shower. If I'm at home and feeling remotely low, the silence is deafening."

Imogen has spent much of the last year in hospital. Rushed into intensive care after she suddenly stopped breathing – because some food got trapped in her lungs – she had to have a whole series of operations. And it was in the wake of her final op that she lost her voice.

A degree student at Anglia Ruskin, Imogen was forced to put her photography studies on hold. But now, back at uni for her final year, she is determined to stay the course.

"If I don't finish this bloody degree I'll go mad," she writes, rolling her eyes. "But it is hard sometimes. The problem is that, as a person with

disabilities, I have to fight for everything: physical access, access to services, access to support... And that's a pretty s***ty place to be with no voice. It's not surprising that some people lose hope."

Far from losing hope herself, Imogen is looking to the future. With the help of university tutors and her enormous circle of friends, she is currently fundraising for a high-tech communicator: like the equipment used by Professor Stephen Hawking, it would allow her to speak through a computer.

"It would be life-changing," explains Imogen. "But it costs £7,000 just for the basic box, £11,000 with what they call 'eye gaze technology'. My speech therapist has been brilliant but she hasn't got a pot of gold; all the NHS can give me is an alphabet sheet – and that's not much good on the phone."

Imogen first fell ill at 17, when she contracted a strange virus. "It started with feeling a bit run-down," she remembers. "Then I started getting numb patches on my legs. Things just got worse from there."

Now, nearly 10 years on, Imogen needs 24-hour care and an electric

wheelchair. She has been diagnosed with a condition called Neuromuscular Dystonia, which causes her brain to send confused messages to her muscles.

"It pulls the muscles into painful spasms that just don't let go," explains Imogen. "That's what happened to my face after the operation – and the same thing has affected my vocal chords."

A bright and bubbly character, Imogen is incredibly philosophical about her situation. "I do have my moments though," she admits. "There was a time when I didn't get out of bed if I didn't want to."

"I was miserable all the time and hadn't even noticed, it happened so gradually. Because I was young when I got my impairment my school friends didn't really stick around; they were all growing up and going off to university."

"My mum had moved away and my two sisters were at university themselves. There wasn't really anyone in Cambridge I could call up and say 'I'm miserable, can you bring pizza round?'"

"You end up in a situation where you realise you have no

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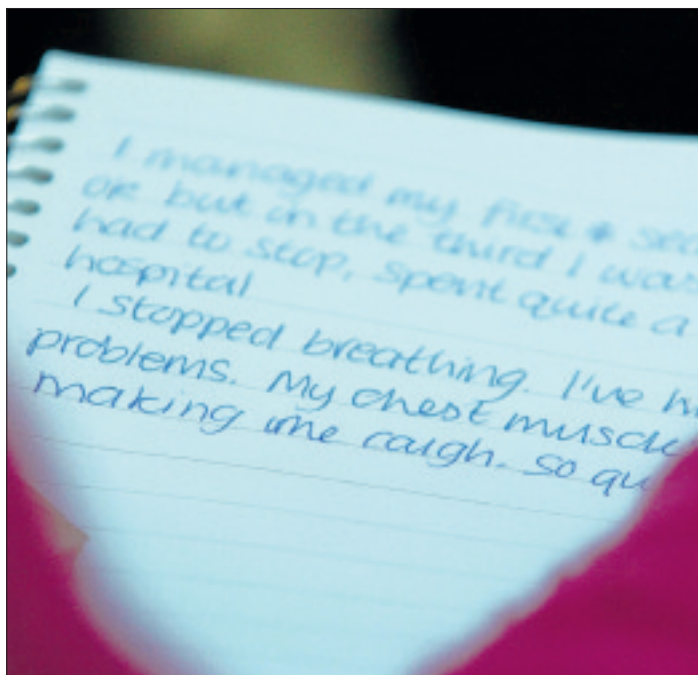
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friends and no social life. It feels like there's not much point in doing anything."

Imogen left home at 18. "I moved into a homeless hostel because my disability had reached a stage where I couldn't really live in my mum's house because I couldn't get up and down the stairs any more," she explains.

"Then my mum decided she wanted to go and get a job in Hull, so she moved. And I lived in Robson Court, the hostel in Waterbeach. It was really hard."

Imogen lost the use of her legs little by little. As she became more disabled, she had to both quit her job as a carer and start using a manual wheelchair. By the age of 22 she could hardly walk at all – and it was clear she needed a powered chair.

"I got a bank loan," continues Imogen. "Looking back it was a stupid decision, but it wasn't like I wanted to get a flashy car. What are you supposed to do if you need something?"

Moving out of the hostel and into a council bungalow, with her then partner, Imogen struggled to keep up the loan repayments. "I ended up getting myself into more debt trying to pay them," she remembers. "I didn't want to open my mail, because I was scared of what the letters would say."

Her benefits also in a muddle, Imogen realised she was at risk of losing her home. And that's when her social worker called in the Young People's Floating Support Service in Cambridge (offering help with all kinds of problems, from addiction and mental health issues to debt and disability). Assigned her

own support worker, Imogen managed to get both her finances and her emotional health back on track.

Then, a keen photographer, she decided to apply for the degree course at Anglia Ruskin: visiting the department on the Tuesday, she got an unconditional offer through the post on the Thursday morning.

"I managed the first two years of my degree mostly okay," writes Imogen. "But then I got poorly: I stopped breathing."

"Because of the problems with my muscles I can't cough very well and food and drink ends up getting stuck in my lungs. After about three months in

days. It came back a bit as the spasms released, then I had the same op and my voice went again – and this time it didn't come back."

Enjoying her degree – she is currently penning a dissertation on the representation of disability in the media and fine art – Imogen has created a whole portfolio of self-portraits as part of her course work. A frank and often touching collection, it depicts every area of her life.

"Most of them are quite smiley but I did one of me in the shower and one of the nurse changing my catheter," explains Imogen. "I did find it quite painful to start with, but it's honest. So many pictures of people with disabilities are borne out of pity: some people do pity me – but if they do it to my face they end up with broken toes!"

With her degree nearing completion, a new partner and a busy social calendar (she is out visiting friends most days), Imogen is clearly living her life to the full.

But she says her ambition is to talk again. "I want to be able to work, to travel, to speak on the bloody phone," adds Imogen.

"Nobody can go through something like this without feeling dark and sticky at times. What makes the difference is what you do with the leftover energy. And I want to put my energy to good use."

■ To help Imogen reach her £11,000 fundraising target – enough to buy a high-tech communicator with an eye-gaze package – visit www.imogenmay.com. The site gives full details of the equipment Imogen needs. You can make a donation online or arrange to do a sponsored silence.

“I’ve got so much I want to do, so much I want to achieve. And I’m not going to let this get in my way.”

hospital they realised I couldn't swallow at all any more and started tube-feeding me. I still have to have a tube now which means I can't eat chocolate, something else I miss. Otherwise it could be 'death by chocolate', ha ha..."

The tube feed started to cause problems with Imogen's bladder (because she wasn't ingesting enough fluid) and she had to have a series of painful operations.

"I came round from one op in so much pain," she continues. "My face tightened up and I couldn't talk for about 10

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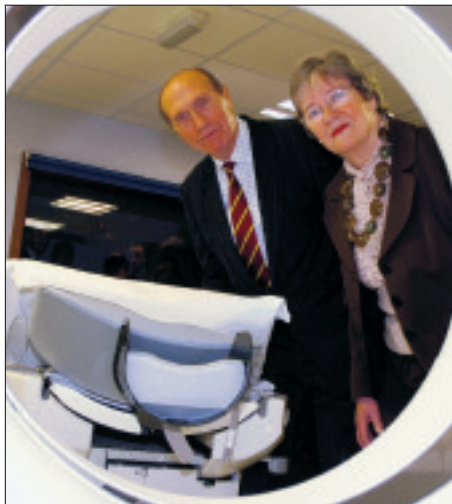
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State-of-the-art scanner is heart-felt gift to trust



Gift: above, Terry Allen, Mrs Leigh's nephew and his wife, Pat. Above right, the new computer tomography scanner at Addenbrooke's is the fastest in the world.

Pictures: Roger Adams 611322/31.

BY RAYMOND BROWN

Email: editorial@haverhillweeklynews.co.uk

A SUPER scanner costing £1 million, which can examine an entire heart in quarter of a second, was paid for by a woman who left the cash in her will.

Kind-hearted Margaret Leigh, of Biggleswade in Bedfordshire, bequeathed the money for the scanner, which is being used for the first time in the East of England.

Addenbrooke's in Cambridge is the first hospital outside London to use the world's fastest computed tomography (CT) scanner.

It will be used alongside three existing CT machines for a range of diagnostic requirements, thanks to a legacy left to the hospital's charitable trust.

Emeritus Prof Adrian Dixon, consultant radiologist, said: "This



new CT machine is another wonderful advance, maintaining Addenbrooke's position as the premier CT site in the country."

The installation of the machine was made possible by Mrs Leigh's legacy donation through the Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust.

The state-of-the-art technology can examine an entire heart in less than half a heartbeat.

The Definition Flash, made by Siemens, studies the tiniest anatomical details at a faster speed than ever before.

Other benefits of the machine include its low emission of radiation.

Keith Day, chief executive of the trust, said: "We are most grateful for the very generous gift left in a will to Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust for the benefit of cancer screening at Addenbrooke's, which has made this installation possible."

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Businesses urged to venture overseas

A COMPANY which has been successfully selling its wares Down Under has been praised during Global Entrepreneurship Week.

Software company HET Software, based in Haverhill, provides a range of services for homecare providers and has been selling its applications into the Australian market, with considerable success – one contract alone was worth more than £1m.

The company puts much of its success down to the support provided through a programme called Passport to Export, delivered by East of England International, which helps companies trade overseas. The EEI group is now using HET's success to encourage other Suffolk entrepreneurs to look at exporting.

Paul Sharpe, a senior international trade advisor at EEI, said: "Even though we remain in an economic downturn, this is a perfect



On the up: John Mayhew, of HET software, signs a £1m contract with the chief executive of their new Australian client.

time for businesses to start venturing into foreign markets and Global Entrepreneurship Week provides a great opportunity to kick-start growing your business.

"Entrepreneurs will often have great new ideas and innovations which will not

only be a hit in their home market but have the potential to be marketed in other countries. It's important that they grasp this opportunity to make the most of their innovation or new enterprise."

John Mayhew, chief executive of HET Software,

said: "Local businesses should take advantage of the excellent opportunities that are available to them to get a foothold in foreign markets."

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A right Royal riot with Jack and mad cow

ONE OF the oldest and most-loved pantomimes will be performed this Christmas and New Year at the Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmunds.

Jack and the Beanstalk – thought to have been originally staged in 1819 in London's Drury Lane – shares its anniversary with the Theatre Royal itself, which dates from the same year.

Although the jokes may not be that old, the show will be staged in classic style, teeming with comedy, puns and slapstick, original songs, a dithering dame, a magical fairy, a terrifying giant and one very naughty pantomime cow.

The production will be directed by the Theatre Royal's associate director, Abigail Anderson, who has already scored hits at the venue this year with the gloriously comic shows *Twelfth Night* and *Three Men in a Boat*.

BY JOHN GOODE

This will be Abigail's debut as a director of pantomime and she cannot wait to get started.

She said: "The Theatre Royal is the perfect place to start out directing panto, the team here are very experienced, having staged successful shows for so many years, and the audiences are second to none in their willingness to join in and celebrate the Christmas season."

"Directing the show is going to be a lot of fun, the original score is excellent and the song lyrics are especially funny with lots of puns and good jokes."

"It is also going to be a really sweet story with lots of fairytale true love. There are oodles of happily-ever-afters in this production."

This year's cast sees a new batch of experienced pantomime professionals joining the Theatre company

and the return of enigmatic funny man Dennis Herdman playing Dame Trott after he stole the show as Hench in the theatre's 2008 pantomime, *Puss in Boots*.

The company is also delighted to welcome eight young performers from the Hazlewood School of Dance singing and dancing in the ensemble.

Jack and the Beanstalk has been sponsored by HRP, Waitrose and Premier Printers, with the sponsorship helping towards creating spectacular set and costumes to fit with the décor of the restored Regency theatre, including the beanstalk, the giant and his castle in Cloudland and the pantomime cow costume for Daisy.

Jack and the Beanstalk is running at the Theatre Royal Bury St. Edmunds from December 4 to January 17. For tickets, further details and performance times call the box office on (01284) 769505 or visit www.theatreroyal.org



Side-splitting fun: with *Jack and the Beanstalk*, which in this year's pantomime at the Theatre Royal in Bury St Edmunds. CP

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Arctic Nov 21 - Dec 2

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Tasman Nov 21 - Dec 2

Charm won't get you very far with an exacting boss. You need to work hard and stay disciplined. A tough work assignment could be entrusted to you. By bringing this project in under budget, you'll put yourself in line for a promotion.

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Comet Nov 22 - Dec 3

You may lack the training to get the kind of job you want. It may not be possible to get the type of qualifications you need right now. Your best bet is to capitalise on your creative talent. Give music or writing lessons to students who are eager to improve their skills.

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Cancer Nov 23 - Dec 4

An intimate relationship is showing signs of strain. You feel as if you're doing all the giving, while your partner never returns the favour. It's time to adjust the balance of power. Your well being is undergoing a radical improvement.

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Leo Nov 24 - Dec 5

You may not get a lot of sympathy from family. Relatives could accuse you of being your own worst enemy, and maybe they're right. Instead of asking them for help, try getting yourself out of trouble. Cutting back on luxuries is essential.

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Virgo Nov 25 - Dec 6

Don't take your job for granted. You may not be able to get off work early or take the vacation time you wanted. Instead of getting angry and quitting in a huff, accept the verdict and do your best. These days, finding steady work is no small task.

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Libra Nov 26 - Dec 7

The party is over, and the sooner you realise it, the better off you will be. Scale back on the fun and games so you can focus on work. If that means cancelling a date, so be it. Your attitude will win the confidence of customers who want to be treated with courtesy.

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Scorpio Nov 27 - Dec 8

You may be giving people too much credit for being honest. Take some basic security precautions in order to protect your interests. Keep your personal information under lock and key to avoid identity theft, and install security systems to protect your home.

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Sagittarius Nov 28 - Dec 9

Mean what you say and say what you mean or people will accuse you of being a hypocrite. If you go back on a promise, it will be impossible to regain their trust. Your reputation could grow by leaps and bounds, thanks to some influential friends.

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Capricorn Nov 29 - Dec 10

Don't overestimate your power to make money. Although you haven't had much trouble earning cash, you need to put some of it away for a rainy day. Be ready to refuse a friend who asks for a loan or your relationship could be torn apart.

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Aquarius Jan 21 - Feb 18

You need to have a more realistic attitude about work. At some point, you'll have to sacrifice your values in order to earn a living. If that means pretending to agree with a policy you detest, so be it. You will also have to wait on people who are rude.

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Pisces Feb 19 - March 20

You're too easily defeated when it comes to pursuing your dreams. If you encounter an obstacle, hang on and pray for help. It could come quite unexpectedly. Teaming up with a male colleague will help you cut through work like a hot knife through butter.

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Talented local musicians to step on stage

THE Haverhill Performing Arts Festival – Music, which takes place at Haverhill Arts Centre tomorrow, will give entrants the opportunity to perform and compete in front of an audience of their peers and the public. Entrants will receive advice and encouragement from professional adjudicators Gill Johnston and Harvey Rathbone.

With individuals and school choirs performing, tickets for the festival are strictly limited and available on the day only. There are sessions in the morning, afternoon and evening.

Go and see the talent of the future, the morning session starts at 9.30am.

The Festival of Speech and Drama will take place from Friday, November 27 to Monday, November 30.

■ Steve Clarke is the guest at Haverhill Keyboard Club's arts centre meeting next Tuesday at 7.30pm. He has a wide and varied spectrum of music from swing, jazz, classics and easy listening.

■ Part ghost story, part psychological thriller and part love story, *Creation* (PG) is showing on the arts centre's big screen next Monday at 1.30pm and Wednesday at 7.45pm. The film focuses on the relationship between Darwin and his daughter Annie, whose tragic early death had a pivotal effect on his research.

■ Part two of the modern gangster classic *Mesrine: Public Enemy No 1* (15), is showing next Monday at 7.45pm. Starring Vincent Cassel, Mesrine continues to evade and frustrate the law. French with English subtitles.

■ Anna Wintour (the "inspiration" for *The Devil Wears Prada*) is perhaps high fashion's most powerful player. Her editorship of *American Vogue* has seen her mythologised for both her commercial vision and her chilly, inscrutable demeanour. Director R J Cutler's beautifully observed documentary, *The September Issue* (12A) screens on Thursday, November 26, at 7.45pm and captures all of Wintour's buttoned-up mystique.

■ For more details about the shows, or to book tickets, phone (01440) 714140 or go to www.haverhillartscentre.co.uk

Big laughs with little panto about Snow White



PANTO FUN comes to Kedington later this month with Ketton Players' latest production, *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*.

Prince Lorenzo of Lombardi is determined to marry Snow White, the most beautiful girl in the land. Will he succeed or will Snow White's wicked stepmother, Queen Morgiana, stop him?

With comedy, songs and, of course, a little romance thrown in for good measure, it is ideal family entertainment.

Performances are on Friday November 27, and Saturday,

November 28, Friday, December 4 and Saturday, December 5, with curtains up at 7.30pm. There is also a matinee performance on the final Saturday at 2.30 pm.

Doors open 30 minutes before all performances.

Tickets are £6 and £5 (concessions) and for pre-paid tickets of 10 or more, a discount of 10 per cent is given.

Tickets are available from Kedington Butchers or by phoning (01440) 704293 or (01440) 713137. Tickets will be available on the door, subject to availability.

Party pokes fun at suburban secrets

BY JO DEEKS

A PLAY which became a television classic when Alison Steadman starred in *Abigail's Party* is coming to Haverhill as part of a tour by Norwich-based repertory theatre company, Black Ram.

Mike Leigh's play will tour Suffolk, Essex and Cambridgeshire over the next two months.

Set in 1977's British suburban wasteland, *Abigail's Party* is one of the most squirm-inducing and wretchedly funny comedies of the 20th century.

While 15-year-old Abigail hosts her first real party, savvy socialite Beverly has invited the new neighbours around for drinks and nibbles at the cocktail party of the season. Armed with enough booze to drown a Shetland pony, the incessant warblings of Feliciano coming from the record player and a barrage of little cheesy-pineapples on sticks arranged in perfect formation, what could possibly go wrong?

As the evening progresses, Beverly's best laid plans fall to ruin, as cracks in the veneer of the suburbanites begin to show, leading to a fractious and pompous civil war across a battlefield of spit gin, blackened cigarette butts and the odd splash of vomit.

An unrelenting satire that rips the



War in the suburbs: with *Abigail's Party*.

façade of England's middle classes limb from limb, *Abigail's Party* exposes the obsessions, prejudices and manipulative competitiveness that lurk in the darkness of the human psyche.

In just three years, Black Ram Theatre Company has emerged as one of East Anglia's leading and

critically acclaimed theatre companies. It specialises in revitalising classic works, using young and up and coming actors and fresh interpretations of established theatre.

The play visits Haverhill Arts Theatre tonight at 7.30pm and tickets are £10, £8 and £6, available from the box office on (01440) 714140.

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Fantastic Mr. Fox (PG): Sun 11am (subtitled); Mon 11.45am.

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Harry Brown (18): Daily 1.55pm, 4.20pm, 6.45pm.

9.25pm.

A Christmas Carol 3D (PG): Daily 1.40pm, 4pm, 6.20pm, 8.40pm; Sat & Sun 11.20am.

The Fourth Kind (15): Daily except Wed & Thu 5pm, 7.20pm; Sun, Mon & Tue 9.40pm.

The Men Who Stare At Goats (15): Daily 1pm, 8.55pm; Daily except Sun 3.30pm; Daily except Mon 6pm.

Fantastic Mr. Fox (PG): Daily except Wed & Thu 1pm, 3pm; Sat & Sun 11am.

Cirque Du Freak - The Vampire's Assistant (12A): Sun 11.10am.

Up 3D (U): Sat & Sun 11.45am, 2.15pm.

Up (U): Sat & Sun 11am.

Aladin (Subtitled) (12A): Sun 3.10pm; Mon 6pm.

Monsters Vs Aliens (PG): Sat 10am.

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Harry Brown (18): Daily 4.45pm, 9.30pm; Daily except Sat & Sun 11.50am.

A Christmas Carol 3D (PG): Daily 12.50pm, 3.20pm, 5.40pm, 8pm.

A Christmas Carol (PG): Fri, Sat & Sun 10.10am.

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Fantastic Mr. Fox (PG): Fri, Sat & Sun 10.30am; Sat & Sun 12.30pm.

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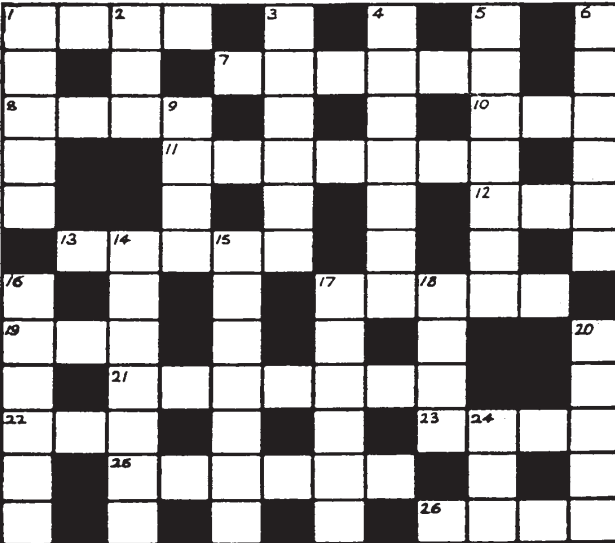
1. Live, thanks to letter from abroad. (4)
7. Finally where to find a shoemaker. (2,4)
8. Point past artist, absorbed. (4)
10. Girl's a foreign one. (3)
11. Lived where it was once badly sited. (7)
12. It's freezing, in cold environment originally. (3)
13. Turner reproduced French and English articles. (5)
17. Bishop to travel to find newly-wed. (5)

19. Shoot at the flower container. (3)
21. Girl follows young sheep in the dance. (7)
22. Hood eventually had a poem. (3)
23. Boy's in the prison. (4)
25. Was hit with hose? (6)
26. Incline to be thin. (4)

Down

1. Uninterested in old boy turning colour. (5)
2. Point at mine going up. (3)
3. Good man all over the place in struggle. (6)
4. More spiteful, in a Siamese way, perhaps. (7)
5. Examined horse farm that's with daughter. (7)
6. Found, having followed the dotted line? (6)
9. Examine the river. (4)
14. Having no pictures? How ingenuous. (7)
15. Place to relax with

- meat to scoff. (7)
16. Spring into flower – or veg. (6)
17. Drug concealed by breadmaker in glass vessel. (6)
18. I raced to the country. (4)
20. A symbol one has to know. (5)
24. Flames, not loud enough to produce rage. (3)



Solution to 2139 – Across: 1 Endure, 4 Acers, 8 Spotless, 10 Tit, 11 Inherent, 13 Fire, 15 Ripe, 16 Fountain, 19 Tow, 20 Egomania, 22 Enemy, 23 Esteem. Down: 1 Elate, 2 Distribute, 3 Roomiest, 5 Cos, 6 Senate, 7 Aliph, 9 Sweepstake, 12 Earnings, 14 Office, 17 Arms, 18 Swarm, 21 Gem.

Small tips to get the best from veg patch

Baby veg have long been a favourite at the dinner table, but you can pay a lot for the pre-packed mini-carrots, courgettes and leeks in the supermarkets, which are often pretty tasteless.

It's worth trying to grow your own, but do you have to choose baby varieties or can you just pick the standard veg early?

Which? Gardening, the Consumers' Association magazine, trialled a number of veg to find out whether seed ranges of baby veg were any better than ordinary varieties grown close together or picked early.

The test site planted blocks of up to five varieties each of cauliflowers, courgettes, leeks, sweetcorn and carrots recommended for growing as baby veg.

They also grew a standard variety at both normal and closer spacing, and picked them at the normal and smaller size for comparison.

Sowing leeks in April, they had decent baby leeks by the beginning of August and found the best variety was 'Electra', which produced a whopping 123 plants per square metre for a 2.6kg harvest. The standard variety, 'Carlton', grown at closer spacing, produced 100 leeks and worked as a baby veg. When picked at a normal size it yielded 33 leeks per square metre, weighing 4.1kg.

Baby carrots are simply those



by Hannah Stephenson

which are harvested early, although a number of varieties including 'Parmex', 'Ideal' and 'Mini Finger' are often recommended for growing as mini-veg.

Researchers sowed five varieties of these into the ground in rows spaced 15cm apart and thinned the seedlings to around 1cm-1.5cm apart. They also grew the conventional type 'Early Nantes' in the same way.

Harvesting began after 10 weeks and 'Mini Finger' proved the best baby variety, while 'Amsterdam Force' gave the lowest yield. However, the best results came from the standard 'Early Nantes' when grown in the same way as the baby veg and picked as a baby carrot.

Carrots can be difficult to establish early on in the season. The soil needs to be at least 7C degrees in the early morning and moist. Later crops should be covered with fleece to stop carrot fly attacking the roots.

With courgettes, the best baby veg variety was 'Supremo', but you have to pick them frequently to stop them

becoming too large. Simply harvest them smaller than normal, planting one plant per metre.

If you want only one or two courgette plants, buy them from a garden centre. If you can't find a baby variety, just pick any variety that will produce mini-courgettes if taken regularly when they reach 8-10cm.

The least successful baby veg was undoubtedly sweetcorn, as each plant produced only a couple of cobs. Grow the bigger varieties, which will give you heavier cobs and will be a much better use of space.

Cauliflowers, however, fared better – those recommended for growing as baby veg are perfect for families who simply can't get through a cauliflower in one meal.

'Avalanche' and 'Candid Charm' are ideal if you don't want your cauliflowers too big. Sow them straight into the soil or start in modules and transplant carefully as they don't like root disturbance. Water them in dry spells and give equal spacing between plants. The two smaller varieties produced more to eat than the standard 'Sydney'.

■ The full report is featured in the November edition of *Which? Gardening*, a subscription-only magazine. For details on how to receive three issues of *Which? Gardening* for £3, phone (01992) 822 800 or visit www.which.co.uk

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6.00 Breakfast. 7.35 Match of the Day. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 Country Tracks. 12.00 The Politics Show. 1.00 'Allo 'Allo! Rene establishes radio contact with England. 1.30 Cash in the Attic. 2.30 Murder, She Wrote. Cabot Cove is thrust into the limelight. 3.15 EastEnders. Omnibus. 4.45 Points of View. 5.00 Songs of Praise. Aled Jones presents music and worship from Shrewsbury in Shropshire. 5.35 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 6.00 Life. Bombardier beetles, honey bees and grass-cutter ants are among the creatures explored as the focus turns to insects. Narrated by David Attenborough. 7.00 Countryfile. 8.00 Antiques Roadshow. The team values rarities at Blechley Park. 9.00 Garrow's Law: Tales from the Old Bailey. 9.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 10.25 Gavin & Stacey Christmas Special. It is Christmas Eve and Gavin and Stacey make an announcement that does not exactly fill their friends and relatives with joy. 11.25 FILM: Born Yesterday (1993). Comedy remake, starring Melanie Griffith. 1.05 Sign Zone: Miranda.	6.00 CBeebies: Me Too! 6.20 Big Cook Little Cook. 6.40 Mama Mirabelle's Movies. 7.00 CBBC: Uncle Max. 7.10 Ooglies. 7.30 Prank Patrol. 8.00 Da Dick and Dom Dairies. 8.30 MI High. 9.00 The Sorcerer's Apprentice. 9.00 Something for the Weekend. 11.30 International Rugby Union. 12.30 Racing from Aintree. 2.00 Live Tennis. The ATP World Tour Finals. 5.35 Meerkat Manor. 6.00 Brian Cox's Jule Journey. The Hollywood actor travels to Calcutta, retracing the journey of jule workers. 7.00 James May's Toy Stories. The Top Gear presenter sets out to recreate the famous banked Brooklands track in Surrey, made entirely out of Scalextric pieces. 8.00 Ray Mears' Northern Wilderness. 9.00 Top Gear. The presenters try to impress Oxford residents by building an electric car - but are met with a frosty response. 10.00 Miranda. In a bid to overcome her hang-ups, Miranda joins an evening class to learn French and takes a tango lesson. 10.30 Match of the Day 2. Adrian Chiles reviews the day's Premier League action. 11.30 Argumental. New series. 12.00 FILM: The Big Kahuna (1999). Drama, starring Kevin Spacey.	6.00 GMTV. 9.25 CITV: Paz. 9.35 Captain Mack. 9.50 Supernormal. 10.05 Emu. 10.20 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. 10.35 Tricky Quikies. 10.55 Coronation Street. Omnibus. 1.10 News and Weather. 1.14 Anglia Weather. 1.15 Kids Do the Funniest Things. Clips of talented youngsters and kids behaving badly. 2.15 FILM: Columbo: Uneasy Lies the Crown (1990). Crime drama, starring Peter Falk. 4.15 Inspector Morse. Arrested on suspicion of murder and suspended from duty, Morse fights to clear his name. 6.15 News and Weather. 6.45 Harry Hill's TV Burp. 7.15 All Star Family Fortunes. 8.00 The X Factor. Dermot O'Leary announces the results of the public vote. 9.00 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here! 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The chef visits a Navajo reservation in Arizona. 7.30 Channel 4 News. 8.00 Come Dine with Me. Four cooks in the Swale estuary area of Kent host dinner parties, each hoping to outdo their rivals and win the £1,000 cash prize. 9.00 Embarrassing Old Bodies. 10.00 Derren Brown Presents the 3D Magic Spectacular. The illusionist presents a selection of tricks staged in 3D. 11.10 The Greatest Ever 3D Moments. Ten classic scenes from 50 years of 3D film. 12.10 4Music Intros: Taio Cruz.	6.00 Sunrise. 7.00 Angels of Jarm. 7.05 Milkshake! Bop Box. 7.10 Fireman Sam. 7.25 Rupert Bear. 7.35 Hana's Helpline. 7.45 The WotWots. 7.55 Noddy in Toyland. 8.10 Adventures of Bottle Top Bill. 8.30 Mist: Sheepdog Tales. 8.45 Harry and His Bucket. 9.00 Olivia. 9.15 Little Princess. 9.35 Gerald McBoing Boing. 9.50 Shake! Snobs. 10.30 Wizards of Waverly Place. 11.00 Hannah Montana. 11.35 The Tribe. 12.05 Animal Rescue Squad. 12.25 The Lost Symbol: Truth or Fiction. 1.25 FILM: Up Periscope (1959). World War Two naval adventure. 3.35 The Variety Club Showbiz Awards 2009. Presented by Jon Culshaw. 4.35 Five News. 4.45 FILM: Pocahontas (1995). Disney animated drama. 6.20 FILM: Spider-Man 3 (2007). The webslinger falls prey to an alien parasite as he pursues his uncle's killer. Superhero sequel. 9.00 FILM: Just Cause (1995). Thriller, starring Sean Connery. 10.55 FlashForward. Aaron learns the truth about daughter Tracy's accident. 11.55 Outlaw Bikers.

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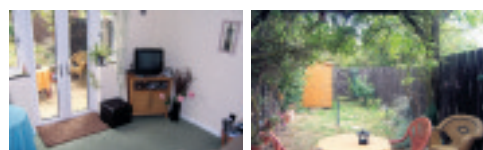
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Ruffles Road



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OIEO£168,000

Mill Hill



Close to Town location, well presented semi-detached, lounge, kitchen/dining room, ground floor bathroom, four bedrooms front garden, rear garden, uPVC double glazed windows and doors,
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Ruffles Road



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Hawthorn Road



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Cramswell Close



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£137,950

Stradishall



Popular village location. Kitchen/dining room, utility room, three bedrooms, front & rear gardens.
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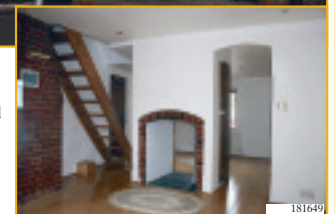
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Lounge/Diner
Kitchen
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Corner Plot
three bedrooms
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garage & driveway parking
on the popular Wilsey development

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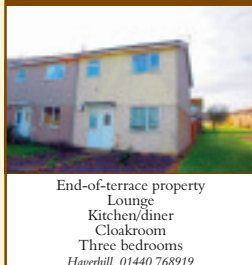
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kitchen/breakfastroom and separate dining room
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Lounge
Kitchen/diner
Cloakroom
Three bedrooms
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three bedroom end of terrace property
on the Chalkstone development
with recently fitted kitchen,
lounge/diner, ground-floor W.C, gas
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Apartment
Two bedrooms
Lounge/diner
En-suite
Allocated parking
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floor W.C, ensuite bathroom to
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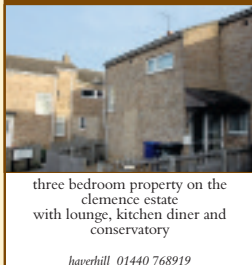

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End of terrace property
three bedrooms
lounge/diner
off-street parking
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Haverhill £144,995


3/4 bedrooms
town centre location
newly pedestrianised part of town
(near tesco)
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Cloakroom

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Four bedroom detached property
2 reception rooms, utility room,
ensuite to master,
garage & driveway
views over fields to front
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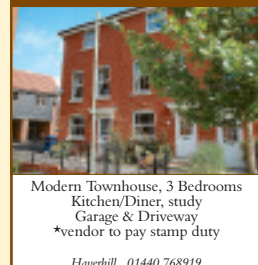

Detached bungalow
Two bedrooms
Lounge & Kitchen/breakfast room
Conservatory
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End terrace house
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with ensuite
cloakroom
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Modern townhouse
Kitchen Diner
L-shaped lounge
Three double bedrooms
Ensuite to master
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Garage & Driveway
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Haverhill **£209,000**
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Haverhill **£54,000**
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Haverhill **£104,950**
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NEW



Haverhill **£127,500**
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NEW



Haverhill **£147,500**
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Haverhill **£109,950**
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NEW



Haverhill **£134,950**
 An outstanding and beautifully presented modern two-bedroom end of terrace home, with separate garage, nicely located at the end of a popular cul-de-sac on the edge of the Hanchett Village development. 61 sq.m. (656 sq.ft.).

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Haverhill **£174,950**
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YOUR GUIDE TO MOVING HOME

1 Moving home can be a complicated business and, in the hectic run to the big day, it is all too easy to forget something vital. The Property News offers their readers this handy checklist that should help avoid major pitfalls. We suggest you tick off the items as you deal with them...

WITH FOUR WEEKS TO GO:

- ☐ Get estimates from removal companies, checking that comprehensive insurance cover is available against damage or loss. Is there a packing and unpacking service? Confirm the date of your move with the firm you have chosen.
- ☐ Check on your home contents insurance policies to ensure that you are covered for the move, and covered at your new address.
- ☐ Make arrangements for your gas and electricity meters (plus water meters where relevant) to be read and all your appliances to be disconnected on the day of your move.
- ☐ Arrange to take over gas and electricity at your new address, and make sure that all appliances will be properly fitted, plumbed or connected.
- ☐ Notify British Telecom and ask them to make the necessary arrangements for a final account at your present address, and for taking over or installing telephone facilities at your new home.
- ☐ Arrange for change of address cards to be printed.

WITH TWO WEEKS TO GO:

- ☐ Confirm all arrangements, times etc, for meter readings, disconnections and reconnections, with authorities and with your buyer and seller.
- ☐ Make sure you have a good stock of packing materials, including sturdy boxes and plenty of string and sticky tape.
- ☐ Begin to throw out unwanted items from attics, wardrobes. What you really don't want you may as well dump now, or send to charity. It's a great time for a good sort out!

WITH ONE WEEK TO GO:

- ☐ Send off change of address cards.
- ☐ Arrange and pay for automatic redirection of your mail by the Post Office.
- ☐ Cancel and pay up accounts for routine delivery services such as milk, groceries, fuel and your Cambridge Evening News. Re-organise these deliveries for your new address.
- ☐ Defrost refrigerators in preparation for move and, if you are moving a freezer and its contents, turn it up to maximum for a couple of days before you move.

WITH ONE DAY TO GO:

- ☐ Complete your packing except for those items you are likely to need overnight, and prepare a picnic for moving day.
- ☐ Have a large enough cash 'float' available to deal with unexpected expenses, and make sure you have collected documents and valuables together in a safe place.
- ☐ Cover carpets which are being left behind, so as to minimise damage during furniture removal.
- ☐ Check through previous lists to make sure nothing has been overlooked, then enjoy a worry-free early night!

2 ON MOVING DAY:

- ☐ Strip beds and pack bedding and nightclothes.
- ☐ Pack items for washing/toiletries.
- ☐ Take down curtains.
- ☐ Take up rugs, carpets, floor coverings, as required.
- ☐ Dismantle any light fittings etc., not included in the sale.
- ☐ Turn off electric appliances.
- ☐ Disconnect cooker.
- ☐ Turn off boiler/central heating.
- ☐ Turn off water.
- ☐ Read gas meter.
- ☐ Read electricity meter.
- ☐ Secure all windows.
- ☐ Lock all doors.
- ☐ Leave key as arranged with new owners.
- ☐ On arrival at your new home, unpack slowly and methodically so that you can check for loss or damage.

3 EXTRA HINTS FOR A SMOOTH MOVE...

WHO TO NOTIFY:

- ☐ Banks.
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- ☐ Credit companies.
- ☐ Insurance companies.
- ☐ Gas, Electricity and Water Boards.
- ☐ Telephone company.
- ☐ Local Authority (Rating Department).
- ☐ Driving Licence authorities.
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Electric cars dilemma

A WHOLESALE switch to electric cars may not necessarily reduce CO2 emissions or dependence on oil, a recent report prepared for the Environmental Transport Association (ETA) concluded.

It was unlikely that electric vehicles would number more than 25 per cent of new sales by 2050, the report added.

There were significant potential environmental benefits to be had from a switch to electric vehicles, the report said.

But it added that these benefits were wholly dependent on changes in the way electricity was generated, energy was taxed and CO2 emissions regulated.

The report said that under the current EU emissions trading system, sales of electric cars were likely to result in higher overall CO2 emissions and oil consumption.

ETA director Andrew Davis said: "While the report is not intended to dampen enthusiasm for electric vehicles, their introduction should not be viewed as a panacea. Significant changes to the way we produce and tax power are needed before we will reap any benefits."

The report said:

- Electric cars powered by wind or solar energy are obviously superior, but if the electricity comes from coal, hybrids such as the Toyota Prius perform better;
- There is potential for improvement in performance and reduction of

costs in the medium term, but not enough to suggest electric cars could compete head-on with conventional vehicles within the next two decades;

- Low running costs of electric vehicles would lead to extra demand for car transport and make necessary the taxation of electricity. On-board metering of electricity use would be a key requirement;

- Even if the National Grid has the capacity and the basic infrastructure to meet the needs of electric cars, the new demand patterns they will create may mean greater use of coal and nuclear power.

From the European lobby group Transport & Environment, the report recommended that CO2 emission standards for cars should be considerably tightened and fuel taxes increased.

It said that a lack of stringent CO2 standards removed the main incentive for the motor industry to invest in electric vehicles.

The report also recommended the quantity and quality of electricity used in cars had to be measured and existing loopholes in the emissions trading scheme needed to be closed.

A Department for Transport spokesperson said: "Electric and other ultra-low emission cars offer the potential to dramatically reduce the carbon emissions from road transport over the long term. But they are not the only way to reduce car CO2 emissions."

"Better driving, along with increased fuel efficiency of



The soon-to-be-launched all-electric Citroen C-Zero. The 100 per cent electric car is not yet the answer to CO2 concerns, according to a recent report from the Environmental Transport Association.

conventional vehicles and use of biofuels, means that CO2 emissions from new and existing petrol and diesel cars can be reduced. All these measures are needed to help reduce green house gas emissions from road transport.

"Electric cars powered from today's UK generating grid would save up to 40 per cent of the CO2 emissions of a conventional petrol car over its full life cycle. This saving will improve as the grid moves to using more low carbon power sources."

"Right now, the grid could support a relatively high number of Electric Vehicles (EVs). It could support even more if the increased demand for electricity is properly managed, using smart meters and dynamic tariffs. In fact, EVs can provide a way to capture and store electricity at night from renewable sources like wind power."

BMW's 'popular' compact SUV

LEADING UK trade price valuations outfit Glass's has been looking at future resale prospects for the BMW X1, the firm's recently-launched compact sports utility vehicle (SUV).

The X1 is positioned as an economical alternative to the market's current SUV offerings, says Glass's, and should prove highly popular.

"On the used-car market, the new model

should perform equally well, thanks to low running costs, good packaging and BMW-badged appeal," says Jason King, head of market intelligence at Glass's.

"Anyone socially uncomfortable with driving an SUV will be more than happy with an X1."

The new BMW is essentially a crossover, and driving dynamics mirror those of the firm's 1-Series. "But the

X1 is more versatile, practical and arguably a prettier car," says King.

Glass's predicts that the X1 will retain up to 54 per cent of its value after three years and 36,000 miles.

"The new model is likely to be a strong contender on the used market, providing a fresh alternative to the 1-Series, 3-Series and X3, which are now a little long in the tooth," King concludes.

Ford makes £99 service offer

FORD dealers are offering a service for just £99, with the bonus of a year's roadside assistance.

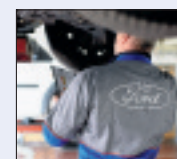
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BMW: Making best progress on CO2 cuts

CUTTING a car's carbon dioxide output has now become as important as sales targets, and leading the way is, believe it or not... BMW.

Yes, the German producer of big-engined, super-fast luxury motors is making by far the most overall progress when it comes to lowering CO2 emissions.

For the second year in a row, the BMW Group has cut its average CO2 output per car by more than any other vehicle manufacturer, says a top industry body.

An independent report from the European Federation for Transport and Environment points to a remarkable achievement by the premium marque – a CO2 reduction of 10.2 per cent against an average 3.3 per cent fall across the industry.

And BMW doesn't only rely on leaner, more efficient engines to reach this target – measures such as better braking and sharper aerodynamics all play their part.

It is also linking with

other firms, such as Citroen, to jointly develop planet-friendly powerplants.

Citroen's C5 range now gets a 1.6-litre, 155bhp petrol engine that was co-produced with BMW, and it replaces the French firm's outgoing 2.0-litre, 143bhp petrol unit.

The other major C5 engine improvement is the introduction of a new 2.0-litre, 160bhp diesel that replaces both the 2.0-litre, 140bhp and the 2.2-litre, 173bhp diesels.

But Citroen's own eco-friendly initiatives don't stop there.

The French firm has just announced that zero noise, fuel use and emissions will come with the new, appropriately-named C-Zero.

This all-electric offering takes the Mitsubishi i's body as its design template to meet, says Citroen, "tomorrow's challenges today". But "today" means late 2010, when it is due to launch.

The C-Zero city car is one of several planned small vehicles that will come with the latest Citroen technology and up-to-date eco-credentials in 2010.



The Citroen C5: Improved.

New fuel-engined C3 and DS3 models, which emit just 99g/km of CO2, will also become available.

All this news comes on the back of a newly-launched Department for Transport campaign for Transport campaign in Britain, which wants drivers to cut back on mileage to help lower CO2 output.

It highlights that, by driving five fewer miles a week, every motorist can help make a difference.

The campaign aims to raise awareness of the impact of car travel on CO2 emissions, and highlights ways in which drivers can play their part in reducing this.

Car travel is the single biggest source of household and

individual CO2 emissions in the UK, says Transport Minister Sadiq Khan, noting that if all drivers reduced their weekly distances by just five miles, they could save 2.7 million tonnes of CO2 per year.

"In our daily lives, we create more than 40 per cent of the UK's CO2 emissions. Every action we can take to reduce this figure will make a difference," he says.

"Research shows that driving five miles less a week is something people feel they can manage – for example, by combining journeys, or walking and cycling more for short trips."

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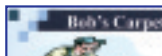
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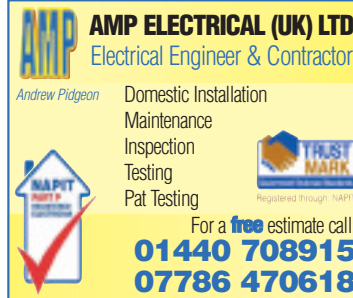
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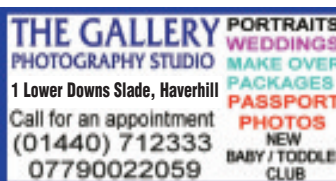

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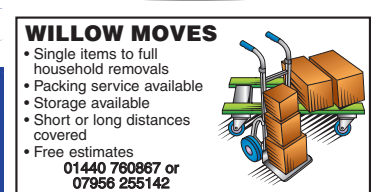
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>> Youth football

Castle Camps 6 St Ives Rgrs 1

Cambridge & Dist League Cup, under-11 CAMPS started slowly, but started to dictate the play, with Westley playing a lead role, but it was James Sams who scored the first.

The next was an own goal and the third, just before half-time, was knocked in by Morgan Jones.

After the break, Rangers had a few half-chances before Owen Thompson shot home his first and Camps' fourth, after which Camps relaxed and Rangers scored.

But great approach play from Henderson, Austin and Fletcher helped Thompson to score two more to grab his hat-trick.

Hundon Hawks 0 Cambridge Celts 1

Cambridge & Dist League, under-11 HAWKS' defence of Milo Holmes, Tommy Goodwin and Tom Addison were superb and kept the Celts at bay in the first half.

The Hawks upped their game and had several chances to break the deadlock, with Krempel, Ince and Pilley going close, but those misses proved costly as the Celts grabbed the winner with the last kick.

Thurlow 1 Needingworth 2

Cambridge & Dist League, under-12 WITH only 10 boys and no subs it was always going to be hard for Thurlow. However, every boy played their hearts out to keep it 0-0 at half time.

And midway into the second half a neat one-two between Aldrin George and Cameron Larking resulted in a Thurlow taking the lead.

As the match progressed Needingworth with the extra man grew in strength and Thurlow tired, so it was inevitable that the visitors were going to score

Thompson's trio crowns cup win



STARS IN STRIPES: Withersfield under-12s.

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A second Needingworth goal following a defensive error ended Thurlow's hopes.

■ The team are looking for new players and anyone interested should contact Ian Marsh on 01440 709178.

Willingham Wolves 2 Withersfield 4

Cambridge & Dist League, under-12 WILLINGHAM started well but were unable to penetrate as George Mustoe and Aaron Thorne, the Withersfield central defenders, stood

firm. However the Willingham defence was also proving difficult for Withersfield to beat.

The breakthrough came half-way through the first half when Ash Wyatt and Lewis Knightly set up Jack Ferguson to race through and score.

Willingham levelled before the break and took the lead shortly afterwards, but Withersfield upped their game, and Cameron Kidd crossed for man-of-the-match Mitchell Forshaw, who side-footed into the net.

A draw looked ever more likely, but Jamie Lingard's late double shifted the balance to Withersfield.

Withersfield 1 Priory Parkside 1

Cambridge & Dist League, under-13 WITHERSFIELD earned a point in a hard-fought match, but it felt like a defeat as countless chances went begging.

The hosts did eventually take the lead through Liam Santry, only to gift Priory an immediate equaliser with a defensive mistake and own goal.

>> Youth rugby

Hadleigh 5 Haverhill 22

Under-13s COACH Derren Slack was delighted as his team came away with a victory and, most importantly since their last match four weeks ago, the work on rucking, tackling, passing and ball possession shone through.

Two tries from Doyle Onley plus one each from Jack Donovan and Justin Hall, complemented with a conversion from Adam Slack, sealed the victory with the opposition getting a consolation try in the last five minutes.

Haverhill 7 Stowmarket 20

Under-15s HAVERHILL were left still looking

Onley strikes at double

for their first win of the season after another defeat on Sunday.

From the first scrum it was evident that Haverhill's once strong point was now a thing of the past and was going to struggle all game. Too many times the Haverhill team were guilty of failing to carry out basic moves to support the player with ball, secure the ball or know when to pick the ball up and use it.

Stowmarket put some good moves together which resulted in an inevitable try on 10 minutes and again on 20 minutes.

Haverhill at times showed they were capable of producing good basic rugby at the breakdown,

and Dom Farnell darted past a few tackles to place the ball between the posts. Toby Pink converted to bring the score to 10-7 midway through the second half, but two more visitor tries clinched the win.

Coach Mark Jury said: "The lads are working hard but still a little short on technique, they know the basics and we now have to make it second nature to them in a game situation."

■ Sunday sees a landmark day at Haverhill Rugby Club as the under-15s and under-13s play for the first time in a double-header against Witham, kicking off at 11.30am. Spectators are welcome.

>> Results

FOOTBALL

KERSHAW LEAGUE

Senior B: Cottenham Utd res 1 Linton Granta 5, Fowlmere 0 West Watlington res 3, March Tn Utd res 2 Swavesey Institute 3, Outwell Swifts 4 Bluntingsham Rangers 1, Saffron Crocus 1 Soham Utd 4.

B M KEMPTON 9 V 9 YOUTH LEAGUE

Division B: Cambridge All Stars 2 Haverhill Rov 2.

CAMBS MINI LEAGUE

Under-9A: Balsham 2 Walpole Warriors 2, Great Bardfield 7 Thurlow 1, Shelford & Stapleford Strikers 2 West Watlington 4.

Under-10B: Balsham 1 Thurlow 5, Haverhill Rovers 1 Spartak 78 A 2, Plantation A 4 Saffron Walden 1n A 4.

S-TECH CAMBS GIRLS' LEAGUE

Under-15 9A-side: Haverhill Rov 6 Gamlingay Utd 3, Histon Hornets 2 Comberton Crusaders 5, Huntingdon Rowdies 1 Milton 3.

Sunday**TREADFIRST SUBURBY & DIST LEAGUE**

Division One: Acton Crown 1 Haverhill Snooker & Bowl 3, Lavenham 4 Haverhill Bull 4, Mount Pleasant res 2 Horse and Groom 4.

Division Three: Club Bell 2 AFC Thurlow 5, Cornard Crusaders 1 Arrendene Athletic 7.

EDAN TROPHY

Figleaves 4 Stoke By Clare 2, Glemsford & Cavendish v Prince Of Wales (post), Glemsford Social Club 4 HESMC 0, Melford Razors v Barnardiston Arms (post), Suffolk Punch v Haverhill (post).

CAMBRIDGE AND DIST COLTS LEAGUE

Under-12A: Bar Hill 2 Newmarket 4, Priory Parkside 4 Ely Crusaders 2, Priory Parkside B 5 Saffron Walden 3, Teversham 4 Haverhill Rov 1.

Under-13A: Bampton Spartans 3 Bar Hill 0, Withersfield 1 Priory Parkside 1.

Under-13E: Comberton Crusaders 1 Gorton 4, Hundon Hawks 3 Saffron Walden B 3, Papworth Blasters 0 Priory Parkside 7.

Under-13F: Haverhill Rov 13 Hemingford 1, Over Sports 23 Manea Utd Strikers 0.

Under-14B: Ely Crusaders 2 Cottenham Utd 1, Haddenham Rov 3 Parkfields 4, Haverhill Rov 3 Chatteris 0. **Under-15A:** Aztecs 1 Whittlesford Warriors 4, Cherry Hinton Lions 8 3 Haverhill Rov 4, Godmanchester Rov 7 Spartak 78 0, Saffron Walden 0 Histon Hornets 0, St Ives Rgrs 3 Somersham 3.

CAMBRIDGE & DIST COLTS LEAGUE CUP

Under-11, fourth round: Castle Camps 6 St Ives Rgrs 1, Milton 2 Fulbourn Falcons 4, Soham Utd 2 Lakenheath 3, Somersham B 0 Teversham 1.

HOCKEY

EAST WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Division 2NW: Bourne II 3 St Neots 4, City of Peterborough II 0 Cambridge Nomads 5, Haverhill 0 Cambridge Univ II 6, Pelicans 4 Ely City 2.

RUGBY UNION**EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE**

Division Two: Haverhill 15 Broadland 13.

DARTS**HAVERHILL WINTER LEAGUE**

Rose Tavern B 3 ESMC 5: Singles - R Manning (135, 100) lost to C Biginton (121, 116), D Manning (100) bt D Fish (129, 100, 101), W Bloomfield (121, 100, 140, 180) bt G Flynn (140, 100, 140), G Manning (125) lost to S Dickson (140, 100, 100, 123), S Manning (101) lost to S Wright (100, 100, 100).

Doubles - G Manning (100) & S Manning lost to G Flynn (140, 100, 140, 100) & S Dickson (123, 100), W Bloomfield (100, 140, 100) & R Manning (125) bt C Biginton & S Wright (100).

Fours - W Bloomfield (100), R Manning, S Manning, G Manning lost to P Huggill (100), S Dickson, C Bigintons (100), G Flynn (100, 139).

Black Horse 7 White Hart 1: Singles - A Sharman (100, 140, 100, 125) bt J Gambrell (100, 120), R Dean (123, 100) bt A Yates (121, 100), D Maloney (100) bt B Marlow (100, 100), M Suffling (100, 100, 140) bt C Robinson, B Ellis (100) bt M Whitehead (101).

Doubles - G Evans (100) & A Sharman (100) bt K Lumm & M Whitehead (100), R Dean & M Suffling (100) bt L Varney (100) & S Taylor.

Fours: A Sharman (100), B Ellis, C Chapman, C Sharman lost to J Gambrell (100), K Lumm, C Robinson, A Yates (140, 100).

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Key birdie puts pair in charge

THE midweek journey to Southwold was worthwhile for Haverhill golfers who competed in the Suffolk Golf Alliance meeting.

Four Ball Better Ball (4BBB) was the discipline, and the local players dominated the event, taking all of the amateur prizes.

Birdies at the par-three 18th by both Wayne Penman and Keith Brown aided their teams' scores, with Penman and partner Pat McGarr taking top spot with 43 stableford points.

Brown had to settle for the runner-up spot with Steve Nichols, beating Chris Briggs and Jim Walker on countback as both pairs recorded 42 points.

The next Alliance meeting is at Newton Green Golf Club on Sunday.

■ Michael Warren had the best score of gross 75, nett 66 in the Haverhill men's midweek medal.



WINNING FEELING: Wayne Penman and Pat McGarr took top spot in the Suffolk Golf Alliance meeting.

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Details: Division One – 1 Michael Warren 75-9-66; 2 Jack Warwick 76-6-70; 3 Peter Garner 81-11-70. Division Two – 1 Peter McLennan 80-13-67; 2 Julian North 82-14-68; 3 Dave Nicholas 88-19-69. Division Three – 1 Patrick Mansfield 89-22-67; 2 Peter Owen 88-21-67; 3 Richard Sisman 90-22-68.

■ Despite the horrendous weather conditions on Saturday, The Anniversary Shield went ahead, and

the winners of the mixed team Texas Scramble event with an impressive score of 58.4 were Eamonn Bareham, Andy Softley, Timothy Daniels and David Roope.

In second place with a score of 59.2 were Steve Rex, Mark Stanton, Julian North and Melvyn Stuart, while Andrew Fish, Paul Donno, Pat

McGarr and Wayne Penman were third on 60.6.

■ Peter Driscoll and Colin Bradnum won the HMP Cup Foursomes stableford with a score of 40 points on countback from Daniel Wilkins and David Pipe. Third place went to Paul Borowy and Steve Nichols on 39 points.

>> Rugby Union

Flannery try tips balance

CHRIS Flannery's try proved crucial for Haverhill as they maintained their 100 per cent record in Eastern Counties Two by beating Broadland 15-13.

From the kick off, skipper Ryan Raffell won the ball and was pushed by the pack 40m to the line, where Paul Bergin picked up and charged over, with Jake Plumridge converting.

Broadland hit back with a penalty, and then from a catch

Haverhill 15 Broadland 13
Eastern Counties League,
Division One

and drive at a line-out, their No 8 touched down.

The visitors went further ahead with another penalty, before Plumridge's boot reduced the arrears. And the scoring was completed by half time.

Matt Reynolds broke from the back of a scrum, punching a hole

in the Broadland defensive line, and Raffell ran 20m before laying off to Matt Stephenson, who in turn released Flannery to score.

"We didn't adapt to the conditions well but we still got away with the win," said Raffell. "In previous years, we may not have had the resolve to see it out."

Haverhill are at home again this weekend, to Southwold in the Suffolk Plate.

Rovers washout

FOOTBALL: Haverhill Rovers' home clash with Wivenhoe in the Ridgeons League, Premier Division on Saturday was postponed because of the bad weather.

Peter Betts' squad are due to travel to Ely City's Unwin Ground for a league clash on Friday night (7.45pm kick-off).

>> Swimming

Top-class display by Bottomley

BETHAN Bottomley was the star of the show for West Suffolk at the regional championships.

The Haverhill swimmer clinched qualifying times for the national junior championships in three events – 50m freestyle, 100m freestyle and 200m individual medley – as well as taking gold in the 100m and silver in the other two disciplines.

Bottomley also took the bronze in the senior 100m freestyle in 58.95sec, shaving more than three seconds off her previous best, as well as taking silver in the junior 100m backstroke.

Hannah Reeder, of Newmarket, was sixth in the 200m breaststroke and Chris Titterton seventh in the 800m freestyle while fellow Haverhill swimmer Danny Proffitt took 24 seconds off his previous best in the same event.

■ Alan Bircher and Jen Titterton are celebrating being selected for English swimming development training camps next year.

Former world silver medallist Bircher has been chosen as head coach in the open water events for the England Talent programme.

Fellow Haverhill-based swimmer Titterton, who is trained by Bircher at West Suffolk Swimming Club, has been picked to take part in the distance camps following her success at the regional and national championships last season.

Bircher said: "This is an excellent opportunity for both as it helps further our knowledge of the sport and also jump at the chance to do some long course training."

West Suffolk will also have 10 swimmers in action at the East Regional Short Course Championships this weekend.

Bircher said: "We'll be looking to come away with some good swims and national times."

"The squad is still in heavy training, but signs are showing the swimmers will be ready to race."

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